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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 20, 2008, please consider the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.